'Excellence, Enjoyment and achievement together in a nurturing Christian Community' 'They will soar on wings like Eagles – Isaiah 40:31'



Newsletter 6

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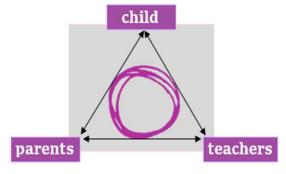
From Mr Chappell: Whilst we have an ethos for all our children to be Flying High it should not be forgotten that this is encapsulated in our school vision of 'Excellence, Enjoyment and achievement together in a nurturing Christian Community.' This has been seen once again this week in many ways. For example this week, some of our Year 6s have shown tremendous maturity and excellence in showing several visitors around school. At the end of these tours, the parents spoke about how amazing the children have been and how it really comes across how proud they are of their school and the things they talk about. Moving from class to class this week I have also been struck by the enjoyment that our children show in lots of different ways, whether it is within the classroom having a Costa Coffee (EYFS parents – you will know what I mean!) or singing along in music lessons! Whatever your child's starting point with the attitude and effort that they put in day in day out, because they want to excel and they enjoy what they are doing they are making progress! Progress that you would have seen last week at parents evening. Thank you every child-for the excellence, enjoyment and achievements you have made this week!



Christmas Dinner - Message from the Kitchen: On Wednesday 7th December, it will be the whole school Christmas Dinner. You can order Christmas Dinner in the normal way through Select. Please note all orders for the Christmas dinner must be placed by 4pm on Thursday 1st December as that is the cut-off time for the kitchen to order in enough food. We will not be able to add any more children to the Christmas dinner list even if you can still select it as an option after this time. It is crucial that this is adhered to please. Any families that add to

the option after the time, will be sent a text to remind them that they will not be able to have a Christmas dinner as they have missed the deadline for ordering. The school kitchen staff thank you in advance for your understanding around this matter.

Parents Evening: A huge thank you to all parents / carers for all your time last week at parents evening. It was great to see so many people back in the school building and enjoying seeing the work in your children's books. There was a lot of positive feedback from parents, and once again I remind you of the importance of the partnership between us and yourselves! (See the relationship triangle!) If we are all working together we will ensure that your children are making the best progress they can from their starting points





FOSH Christmas Fair:

It is not long now until our school Christmas fair. A reminder that on the same day as the fair, the local scout group will also be selling Christmas trees in the school car park- so please tell all your family and friends all about the wonderful opportunity to attend the fair and do some Christmas shopping. Please look out over the next few days for further information about the fair from FOSH!

Flying Home Library Plane: It has been a long time coming but the Flying High Library Plane is edging ever closer! Please see below information from one of the governors, Ben, who is overseeing the installation of the library:

The library plane, you'll be pleased to hear, is ready to take its final flight to St Helens. The plane has been insulated, plaster-boarded, graphics applied to the outside and the cockpit has been fully restored. It's now awaiting the final checks to move it safely to its new home at St Helens. Following it landing at St Helens, the final works can then commence to plaster, paint and install electrics inside along with an access ramp. I know you are all excited to see the plane.....not long now.



Cabin - 2nd fix artist impression





- Book shelving
- LED lighting
- Heating



- **Book shelves**
- Carpets
- · Comfy seating

For even more information about the Plane and what it looks likely currently – please visit our website. https://www.sthelensprimary.org.uk/news-and-events/flying-home-project/



Children In Need: A huge thank you to everyone who donated to last week's Children in Need. The total raised was a magnificent £244.62. An amazing effort on a special day when even Pudsey Bear made time to come and see us during a PE lesson!

Attendance: We are receiving a large number of holiday request forms at this moment. Can we remind you all, that we cannot authorise any holiday requests during term time. More information about attendance and the expectations can be found on our school website.

https://www.sthelensprimary.org.uk/our-school/attendance/

Behaviour Advice and Support

On the morning of Wednesday 30th November, we have an opportunity for parents to meet Vicky Borel, the behaviour and emotional support specialist who works with us as a school.

If you have any concerns about your child's behaviour at school or at home, book in for a chat to discuss your concerns with Vicky and gain some advice.

There will be 30 minute slots available. Book your slot by calling the school office.

If you are not available at this time but would still like some support with your child's behaviour at home, please contact us anyway so that we can keep you in mind for other dates.

Well done to those children who were awarded a certificate today and last week:

Holly class – Lucas, Charlie Se, Georgina, Jude Ash class – Willis, Pixie, Harry, Kaia

Beech class – Freddie, Freya, Albie, Marley Sycamore class – Fred, Darcey, Charlotte O, Charlotte M

Oak class – Bavilan, George, Elsie-Lou, Isabel Elm class – Ollie J, Harry, Sophia, Emily





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